

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of:  
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Sir:

**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

Applicants now respond to the Office Action mailed October 9, 2009. A Petition for Three Month Extension of Time is filed herewith, extending the deadline for response from January 9, 2010 to April 9, 2010. Applicants request entry of the following amendments and consideration of the following remarks:

**Amendments to the Claims** appear on pages 2-4 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 5 of this paper.